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[redacted] on 5/24/64, furnished an oral report to SA EDWIN D. KUYKENDALL. It was dictated on 5/26/64, to steno EVALYN MIDDLETON. It was typed on 6/1/64, and was authenticated on 6/3/64, by source in presence of SA EDWIN D. KUYKENDALL. The original is filed as [redacted] Source.

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Source in this report advised that at about 7:30 PM, Saturday, 5/23/64, approximately 40 persons were present at the Central Baptist Church, Plano, Texas. The pastor of the church, name unknown, introduced the first speaker, Dr. BILLY JAMES HARGIS. Some patriotic songs were sung. As persons entered the building literature of the Christian Anti-Communist Crusade was distributed.

HARGIS was the first speaker, reviewing material contained in leaflets distributed to those present. His discussion indicated objection to CASTRO in Cuba and indicated his anti-communist sympathies. HARGIS introduced CARLOS BRINGUIER as the person who debated LEE HARVEY OSWALD in 1963, on a radio program in Louisiana. HARGIS told about BRINGUIER finding out OSWALD was a "Communist Agent working with CASTRO," and said BRINGUIER has turned all of his information over to proper investigating authorities. He said this was two or three months prior to the day of President KENNEDY'S assassination.

CARLOS BRINGUIER then took the floor as the next speaker. He said his uncle, name unknown, was some kind of an official in Cuba before BATISTA was President in Cuba.

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BRINGUIER said he was in Cuba at the time of the overthrow of the Batista Government by CASTRO and told how FIDEL CASTRO personally assassinated a relative of BRINGUIER by shooting him. BRINGUIER, in broken English, spoke about his leaving Cuba and coming to New Orleans, Louisiana, where he got into a store business with his brother-in-law. Then in the middle of 1963, LEE HARVEY OSWALD walked into his place of business and told him he was against FIDEL CASTRO and was interested in helping CARLOS BRINGUIER train exiled Cubans in a nearby training camp near New Orleans. BRINGUIER said he was suspicious of OSWALD already because a few days before that incident BRINGUIER and his friends had received information from someone in Mexico who was connected with Cuban activities, that there was a spy in the New Orleans area (pro-CASTRO). He said OSWALD, from his conversation, already knew about the existence of the secret training camp for exiled Cubans near New Orleans, where Cubans in exile were being trained to be returned to Cuba to fight the CASTRO Government. BRINGUIER stated he felt sure OSWALD was the CASTRO spy who had been reported to be in the New Orleans area. He claimed he told OSWALD his only interest inthe organization known as "Cuban Student Directorate" was for the propaganda angle and not actually to help train people at the camp; that BRINGUIER'S associates would not need OSWALD. BRINGUIER claimed he was suspicious of OSWALD and did not want his services. OSWALD then left that store.

A few days later a friend of BRINGUIER told BRINGUIER he had seen OSWALD a few blocks away carrying a sign announcing he was for CASTRO. BRINGUIER went to the place where OSWALD was carrying the sign and both recognized each other. He said OSWALD seemed surprised to see BRINGUIER there. BRINGUIER added he got mad and called OSWALD a traitor and communist; whereupon, OSWALD turned his face to him and told him to go ahead and "hit him." BRINGUIER claimed he then realized OSWALD was trying to be a martyr and wanted BRINGUIER to hit him in order to gain sympathy. By that time a crowd had gathered. BRINGUIER claimed he told OSWALD he was through and might as well leave New Orleans. This occurred in about August, 1963, according to BRINGUIER.

A few days after the above incident OSWALD sent a Marine training book to BRINGUIER by some other individual as a present. He said that inside the cover was the same name that reportedly was the name in which a rifle was purchased by OSWALD that was used to assassinate President KENNEDY. That name was HIDELL (phonetic). BRINGUIER claimed

he turned this book over to investigative authorities and that he has told his full story to authorities about his associations with OSWALD. He said that just before OSWALD left New Orleans, he challenged OSWALD to a debate on radio concerning CASTRO. They thereafter debated on a radio program, with OSWALD being for CASTRO and BRINGUIER being in favor of overthrowing CASTRO'S Government. Following that radio program OSWALD departed from New Orleans and BRINGUIER claimed he has not had any contact with him since. BRINGUIER suspected that OSWALD had entered Mexico shortly thereafter.

BRINGUIER talked about having helped train exiled Cubans in the New Orleans area. He said "we" and "our people" had recently burned some sugar cane fields or mills in Cuba. He said the exiled Cubans are still planning to slip back into Cuba and burn and blow up things. He said "they" are now ready to revolt against CASTRO and are awaiting the command to go ahead, but said August 1, 1964, is the deadline by which time this action would take place. He said the Cuban exiles are all prepared, ready and willing. He talked as if this training program is still being carried on, although, was not specific in stating where it is carried on presently. He said it was quite a program.

BRINGUIER had a record for sale for $4.00, which allegedly contained a conversation between himself and LEE HARVEY OSWALD, in which OSWALD allegedly admitted being a Marxist or Communist and admitted working as an agent for CASTRO in the United States. BRINGUIER was also selling leaflets for 25 cents per copy. He did not specify any efforts toward recruiting anyone to help overthrow CASTRO'S Government, but was selling the above described items in an effort to raise money.

BILLY JAMES HARGIS then took the floor and talked more. He criticized the civil rights bill that was up before Congress.

He spoke about four books he had written that were for sale. He took up a collection from the group with contributors placing the names, addresses, and amounts of contributions on envelopes enclosing same. HARGIS said the money being raised by him was to begin 100 new radio broadcasts with the object of having 1,000 radio broadcasts regularly in Texas

dealing with his Christian Anti-Communist Crusade activities. HARGIS mentioned that CARLOS BRINGUIER works for him on a salary basis. HARGIS said nothing about recruiting persons for activities in Cuba. HARGIS said BRINGUIER was there for the purpose of telling the story about communists being right "on top of us" and how communism was responsible for killing President KENNEDY. HARGIS said BRINGUIER and their group were trying to awaken the public to the communist menace. He said his organization was working in Florida a great deal pushing for contributions and selling his material. Several persons apparently made contributions.

BILLY JAMES HARGIS and CARLOS BRINGUIER appeared to have one or two other persons traveling with them in a Dodge Mobile Home (truck and house trailer combination). One young American looking man 19 or 20 years of age served as usher at the meeting. Another Spanish or Cuban looking young man about 30 lead the singing of patriotic songs at the beginning of the meeting, after which he sat down in the audience with a female who did not appear to be Cuban or Spanish. A man named G. P. or T. P. COWER, who claims to have a radio broadcast on station KSKY (Dallas) every Sunday morning, and a male individual named (_____) RUSHING from South Dakota were present at the meeting. It is not known whether they were traveling with the HARGIS group. Also present was one Reverend BURKET (phonetic) of Dallas who was identified by HARGIS as his advance man in Dallas who served to set up his appearance prior to HARGIS' arrival. He did not indicate that BURKET was his advance man elsewhere.

Announcements were made that HARGIS's group next day would make appearance in Garland, Texas, and thereafter would be in Dallas a few days. In early 1964, the Christian Anti-Communist Crusade is to have a national convention at the Baker Hotel, Dallas, with Governor GEORGE WALLACE of Alabama, being one of the speakers, according to an announcement. The meeting adjourned at about 10:00 PM.

Informant further advised that one J. B. DENNIS, 1012 West Saner Street, Dallas, Texas, recently received by mail a copy of "The Thunderbolt" for April, 1964, a publication issued by the National States Rights Party. That publication contains an article that is substantially the same information that was given in the above meeting in Plano. In the article

appeared a photograph of CARLOS BRINGUIER which was shown herein as CARLOS BOINGUIES, and under his name appeared the words "Cuban Student Directorate." That photograph is of the person named CARLOS BRINGUIER, who spoke at the HARGIS meeting at Plano on May 23, 1964.

Source on 6/3/64, furnished to SA EDWIN D. KUYKENDALL a copy of the April, 1964, issue of "The Thunderbolt." Pages three and four of that publication issued by the National States Rights Party contains an article entitled "Proof OSWALD a Communist Agent" by CARLOS BOINGUIES of the "Cuban Student Directorate." (Pages three and four of that publication have been placed in the 1A section of Dallas file 105-1354. The remainder of that publication has been destroyed.)

Source also furnished to SA EDWIN D. KUYKENDALL on 6/3/64, a copy of the May, 1964 issue of a magazine entitled "Christian Crusade" published by BILLY JAMES HARGIS, which publication was distributed at the above described meeting at Plano, Texas, on 5/23/64. (Pages 3, 18, 19, 30, 31, 32, 33 and 34 of that publication are being placed in the 1A section of 105-1354).

It is to be noted that pages 18 and 19 of the above described issue of "Christian Crusade" states that the Christian Crusade Anti-Communist Youth University will have on its faculty, Summer, 1964, eleven individuals including Dr. BILLY JAMES HARGIS, Dr. CARLOS BRINGUIER, New Orleans, Louisiana, and General EDWIN A. WALKER of Dallas, Texas. Page 27 of that publication furnishes data concerning the forthcoming national convention of the Christian Crusade, August 7 - 9, 1964, Baker Hotel, Dallas, Texas. Pages 30 - 34 contain an article entitled "OSWALD; A CASTRO Agent in the United States" by Dr. CARLOS BRINGUIER. Page 32 of that article contains an advertisement about a phonograph album entitled "The President's Assassin Speaks", which is for sale for $4.00 by the Christian Crusade, Box 977, Tulsa, Oklahoma. It states this is a recording of the radio debate between OSWALD and Cuban Freedom Fighter CARLOS BRINGUIER with introductory remarks by BILLY JAMES HARGIS. Photographs of BRINGUIER appear on pages 33, 31, and 19 of that publication. General EDWIN WALKER appears on page 19 of that publication.

Source had no additional information.